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the Omaha City Council has told us that they do have an ordinance that they are in the process of drafting which would allow precisely that which Senator Syas wants to accomplish under this bill. I really, I sympathize with Senator Syas because I do appreciate the problems that those persons in the agricultural area surrounding a city can encounter and I do especially appreciate his concern for those of us who are farmers who live in an area that adjoins a city, but I do not want to cause any problems for a city which desires to be understanding of the problem and I would prefer that Senator Syas explain if he thinks the bill is still necessary or, at one time he indicated that he might want to bracket the bill to determine if the City were going to solve the problem themselves.

SENATOR SYAS: Mr. President, I believe the bill is still necessary only there has been one change and that's what I was getting at and I'm glad Senator Schmit did some-- made some statements. When I introduced the bill, at that time the county wasn't in the picture at all. Now the county is in the picture and they're having a meeting tonight so I think we should defer this until tomorrow. Now, I think the bill will still be necessary but the bill does more than just agricultural burning and I don't think the City of Omaha or any other city should be allowed to control agricultural burning. I'm definite on that, but the bill, of course, doesn't allow the City of Omaha in the 3-mile limit to control any burning and I am in favor of that too. The only thing about it, I noticed in the committee report where it just said agricultural burning and I didn't want to try to fool anybody. It goes further than that, but the City, I mean the county tonight, is going to, they have already got rules and regulations and I'd like to hold this until tomorrow to see what they come up with. Now they're going to set up county ordinances instead, and take this away from the City and their meeting is tonight so I don't think we lose anything by waiting until tomorrow on it, see what they come up with tonight.

SPEAKER: Very good. Senator Syas is asking to pass the bill until tomorrow. Are there any objections? Hearing none, it is so ordered. We'll move on to the general file consideration of Senator Burbach's L.B. 458. Is Senator Burbach in the chamber? Well he was here just a minute ago. Next one would be L.B. 311 by the Appropriations Committee. Senator Marvel, would you be in a position, excuse me, here comes Senator Burbach. Senator Burbach, we're trying to take up your L.B. 458. Senator Marvel, go ahead, sir.

SENATOR MARVEL: We need until Wednesday to complete amendments on 311 so I'd ask unanimous consent that we pass over it and well, I guess I better do this way--

SPEAKER: Do you want to bracket it?

SENATOR MARVEL: Uh, bracket it until Thursday, which would be what, March 8th. I'd ask unanimous consent that L.B. 311 be bracketed on general file until March 8th.

SPEAKER: You've heard the motion, by Senator Marvel. Are there objections? Hearing none, it is so ordered, the bill is bracketed until Thursday, March 8th. Ready for the general file consideration of L.B. 458.

CLERK: Legislative Bill 458 by Senator Burbach of the 19th district. Title was read on March 2nd and laid over at that time. There are committee amendments to be adopted.

SPEAKER: We have committee amendments, Senator Burbach, to